

POPPLETON HISTORIC STUDY

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<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>
168	22-37	208-238 N. Carey Street

Approximate age

<u>1800-1845</u>	<u>1845-1860</u>	<u>1865-1880</u>	<u>1880-1896</u>	<u>1896-on</u>
	212-238 208-210 (after 1869)			

<u>Rating</u>	<u>Architectural</u>	<u>Condition</u>			
A	Significant-save	good	fair	poor	bad
(B)	Quality-Indiv./groups-save	good	fair	poor	bad
C	Important to street/groups	good	fair	poor	bad
D	Insignificant/detrimental	good	fair	poor	bad

Notable features:

Number 228 N. Carey was built between 1866 and 1867, date authenticated by deed search. This is a remarkable terrace of houses which have degenerated only recently (in 1963 they were in fair to good condition). They are distinguished by the excellence of their brick and brick laying, the proportions of the fronts and large window openings, the severe but elegant cornices, the marble steps and other stone dressings, the uniformity and scale of the terrace.

The northern end of the block, down to number 228, differs slightly from the houses at the southern end and are perhaps

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Environmental context:

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Notable features (continued):

by another developer. Number 228 is typical of this northern style and 212 of the southern. In every way the equal of the better terraces in Bolton Hill, these houses should be protected with landmark status and rehabilitated either as individual houses or apartments. They have large and extensive back buildings which only increase the difficulty of using them today. This is a block where the back buildings might be converted into small houses which face the interior of the block.

Environmental context:

This row is opposite St. Luke's Church and is the first block north of Franklin Square. The only gap is by the absence of 1300 W. Mulberry, and the adjacent two houses, 208-210 N. Carey are vacant. Its street is wide but has street trees (Purple Plums) and is very pleasant.

216 N. Carey Street

Date: 1859-60

This range of houses was contracted to William M. Woods by John Glenn and his family in a deed (GES 166/302) of March 9, 1859. The agreement specified that eight houses must be commenced before March 20, 1859 and completed by March, 1860. The directions to Woods were in part as follows:

The houses were to be "of equal size, similar in character...so as to present a front of uniform appearance; each house to have a front or main building not less than 30 feet deep....each to be 3 stories high with basement fronts of marble and fronts above the basement of fine quality pressed brick...door steps and door and window sills all of good marble...with a back building not less than 35 feet deep, containing 2 rooms on each floor and with a good cellar under the entire building." There were to be gas pipes in all rooms. A front passage must be provided with fixtures for hot and cold water in the kitchen, and water fixtures and a bathtub on the second floor. A good brick privy was to be erected in the yard. It was to be plastered and painted in a good and complete manner and built of good seasoned timber...The yard itself was to be properly paved and partitioned with substantial board fences.

Sources: Deeds

228 N. Carey Street

Date: 1866-67

The date of this row of houses is established by a deed of July 9, 1866 (AM 345/137). In it, the Glenn family contracted with Thomas A. Hitafter and established separate ground rents on each of the six houses running south from the corner of Saratoga St. Hitafter sold the property to James Waterworth the following year, indicating that he undoubtedly constructed the house in the interim.

Source: Deeds

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